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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

CHASTEEN ET AL.

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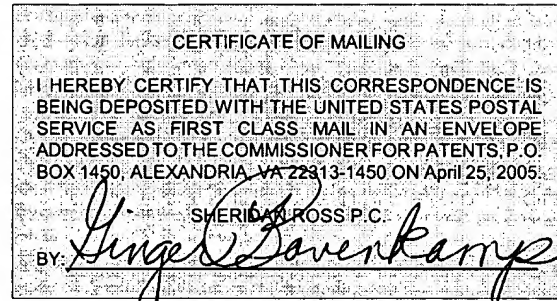
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For: "SMALL OPENING BEVERAGE  
END CLOSURE ADAPTED FOR  
FRICTIONAL ENGAGEMENT  
WITH A STRAW"

) Group Art Unit: 3727

) Examiner: Robin A. Hylton

) AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE



Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Examiner:

This Amendment and Response is responsive to an Office Action Summary having a mailing date of January 24, 2005. Since this Response is timely filed prior to the 3 month statutory deadline of April 24, 2005, no additional fees are believed due at this time. However, if additional fees are due, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Please amend the specification as follows: